Ninian Beale

all false your hon's Company would be acceptable among Liber B. the people, noe more but rest Yr honrs servts to Command whilst I am

From the house of Bazil Warren my service to yor Lady and my neighbour

Directed to Coll Darnall.

Maj^r Beale

Your letter of yesterday came to hand and its contents have been duely considered on in Council and for Answer doe first give you to understand that the subject thereof was before communicated to us by an Express from Coll Jowles to whom we immediately returned our answer and at the same time sent a sufficient supply of Armes powder and bullets under the care of Coll Digges with an assurance of further supplyes from time to time if occasion required it which Armes wee doubt not are before the writing hereof safe delivered to the said Coll Jowles But with this precaution wee desired that all that might be layd aside and that without making of any noise he the said Coll Jowles should with such of the neighbourhood as he should think fit goe to the head of the River p. 210 or else where suspected to discover the truth of the matter And finding none but the accustomed Indians peaceable and in noe hostile or unusual posture Our advice was to offer noe abuse or provocation to a peacable people but to cherish and preserve the peace wee soe long and happily have enjoyed But to the Contrary if they found the Indians or any other Enemies in any warrlike posture against the English or other inhabitants of this province That our orders was to use his utmost endeavours to suppress them and to give us immediate advice thereof and that wee would not onely supply him with amunicon and armes but also did assure him That wee would stand by him with our lives and fortunes and upon all occasions should expose our persons and Estates in defence of the peace quiet security and safety of all and every the Inhabitants of this province without exception All which wee hereby Reiterate and Confirme to you and desire you to give the same assurance to the people with whome you shall converse And as for your part and the perticulars you give us of your past and intended proceedings Wee have thought fit to let you know That wee highly approve and commend what you have done and very well like your prudent way of goeing with ten or twelve men to try and discover the truth of the matter and further doe assure you that your good services to this governmt shall never be forgot But the same shall be rewarded with all the favour and Recompense this Govern-